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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 18 September 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m. 20h plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9].

Belize

Ethiopia

Russian Federation

Israel

Pakistan

Ghana

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Australia

3 p.m. 21st plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9].

Bahrain

Ukraine

Armenia

Tunisia

(continued overleaf)

Madagascar

Malawi

Sri Lanka

Uruguay

Swaziland

Chad

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.–6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

World Food Programme

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Second regular session for 2000

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.–6 p.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Opening of the session: statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director [1]

2. Adoption of the provisional agenda and timetable and organization of work [2] (E/ICEF/2000/14)

3. Proposals for UNICEF country proposals [3] (E/ICEF/2000/P/L.27)

   (a) Country programme recommendations (E/ICEF/2000/P/L.1/Add.1-P/L.17, P/L.28-P/L.45)

   (b) Recommendation for additional regular resources for approved country programmes (E/ICEF/2000/P/L.46)

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (b) Oceans and the law of the sea

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments), will be held on Monday, 18 September 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Copies of draft resolution on a Agenda Item 34 (a) (Consideration of elements relating to oceans and seas, including improvement of coordination and cooperation) will be available for distribution on Monday, 18 September 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

Informal open-ended consultations on the organization of work of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-fifth session will take place on Monday, 18 September 2000, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5. A copy of the tentative programme of work of the Sixth Committee will be available in the conference room for interested delegations.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal (informal) consultations

H.E. Mr. Bagher Asadi (Islamic Republic of Iran) will hold informal (informal) consultations on Monday, 18 September 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6, to discuss options for placing the United Nations Forum on Forests within the United Nations system intergovernmental machinery.

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FIFTY-FIFTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(12 to 16, 18 to 22 September 2000)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420A).

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly is available on the General Assembly Web site on the Internet at: http://www.un.org/ga/55.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to DPI@un.org for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Announcements

Cellular telephones

Delegations are kindly requested to turn their cellular telephones rings off while attending meetings in order to maintain the orderly conduct of the proceedings of those meetings.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 18 September 2000

AFRICAN GROUP:

EXPERT GROUP ON ECONOMIC MATTERS

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF LAND-LOCKED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

First Annual Ministerial Meeting

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

Annual Coordination Meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the OIC

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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The first meeting of Senior officals of the Economic Co-operation Organization will be held on Monday, 18 September 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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The Tenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) will be held on Monday, 18 September 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The Meeting will be presided by H.E. Mr. Abdus Samad Azad, Foreign Minister of Bangladesh. The meeting will be addressed by the Secretary-General, Mr. Zephirin Diabre, Associate Administrator of UNDP, Mr. Carlos Fortin, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD and senior institutional representatives of the IMF and World Bank in addition to the Ministers and Permanent Representatives from Least Developed Countries.

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

SPECIAL BRIEFING ON THE WORK OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

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Announcement

As from Friday, 1 September 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 19 September 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m. 22nd plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Republic of Moldova

Republic of Korea

Panama

Indonesia

Mali

Qatar

Nigeria

Palestine

3 p.m. 23rd plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Sierra Leone

Thailand

Turkmenistan

Philippines

Botswana

Bangladesh

India

Guyana

Sudan

Congo

The Commonwealth of Dominica

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on disarmament and international security and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-3170K; tel.: (212) 963-0049), as soon possible.

Delegations are reminded that names of representatives and of alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Kuo-Chung Lin, Secretary of the First Committee (telefax: (212) 963-5305).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

In accordance with its approved programme of work and timetable contained in document A/C.4/55/L.1, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 25 September 2000, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on decolonization and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Wednesday, 20 September 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/55/L.1*. The list of speakers for items allocated to the Second Committee (A/C.2/55/1)* will be opened for inscription on Wednesday, 20 September 2000, at 3 p.m.

* To be issued.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for *all items* allocated to the Third Committee will be open on Monday, 18 September 2000, for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with document A/C.3/55/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its second meeting) on Monday, 25 September 2000, at 10 a.m., with agenda items 103 (Social development) and 104 (International Year of Older Persons). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: 212-963-4248; telefax: 212-963-5935).

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 19 September 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the following issues: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur; (b) Status of documentation (A/C.5/55/L.1) and organization of work (A/C.5/55/L.2*); (c) 17 (b) (Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of a member of the Committee on Contributions (A/55/102/Add.1 and A/C.5/55/5)); (d) Item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations): Letter dated 17 July 2000 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/55/2); and (e) Item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001): Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/54/L.88/Rev.1 (A/C.5/54/65 and A/55/376*).

* To be issued.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (a) Oceans and the law of the sea

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (a) (Consideration of elements relating to oceans and seas, including improvement of coordination and cooperation), will be held on Wednesday 20, and Thursday, 21 September 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The resumed 2000 session of the Committee on Non-governmental Organizations will be held on Wednesday, 27 September 2000, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to resume consideration of item 7 (Consideration of special reports) (Transnational Radical Party).

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United Nations Development Programme

There will be an informal (closed) Inter-Agency Consultative meeting (IACM) on Wednesday, 20 September 2000, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Third regular session 2000

The third regular session 2000 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 25 to 29 September 2000 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/2000/L.4. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Third Committee matters)* on Tuesday, 19 September 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing the following briefing for delegates from the permanent missions and capitals attending a session of the General Assembly for the first time:

Special briefing on electronic services at the United Nations: Tuesday, 19 September, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. (212) 963-9196).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Saturday, 16 September 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

18th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Laisenia Qarase, Prime Minister and Minister for National Reconciliation and Unity of the Republic of Fiji; H.E. Mr. Jan Kavan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic; H.E. Mr. Gabriele Gatti, Minister for Foreign and Political Affairs of San Marino; H.E. Mr. Ismail Cem, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkey; H.E. Mr. János Martonyi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Hungary; H.E. Mr. Alojz Peterle, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Slovenia; H.E. Mr. Yousef Bin Al-Alawi Bin Abdullah, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Oman; and H.E. Mrs. Maria Levens, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Suriname.

19th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth, Chairman of the Delegation of Luxembourg; H.E. Mr. Somsavat Lengsavad, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic; H.E. Mr. Paskal Milo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Albania; His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brunei Darussalam; H.E. Mr. João Bernardo de Miranda, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Angola; H.E. Ms. Maria Eugenia Brizuela De Avila, Minister for Foreign Affairs of El Salvador; H.E. Mr. Jean Ping, Minister of State and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Francophonie of Gabon; H.E. Mr. Rui Alberto de Figueiredo Soares, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Communities of Cape Verde; and H.E. Mr. Yerodia Abdoulaye Ndombasi, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to article 74 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 18 May 1978

Acceptance: Mauritius (12 September 2000)*

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Ratification: Sierra Leone (15 September 2000)*

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. New York, 18 December 1990

Signature: Sierra Leone (15 September 2000)

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special events

The Department of Public Information, in association with UNESCO and a coalition of non-governmental organizations, will host two special events on Tuesday, 19 September 2000, to mark the Millennium Peace Day. About 250 students from New York City schools will be in Conference Room 4 at 10 a.m., to hear from Mrs. Nane Annan, Mrs. Nohora Puyana de Pastrana, First Lady of Colombia, and Mrs. Betty Williams, 1976 Nobel Peace Prize Winner. At 12 noon, at a ceremony to be held on the United Nations Plaza, Mr. Harri Holkeri, President of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly, will receive over 50 million signatures collected by children and representatives of non-governmental organizations in support of UNESCO's "Culture of Peace" manifesto. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special screening

There will be a special screening of the CNN documentary "Soldiers of Peace", organized by the Permanent Mission of Colombia to the United Nations, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, on Tuesday, 19 September 2000, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Brief addresses will be made by H.E. Mr. Harri Holkeri (Finland), President of the General Assembly, Mr. Olara Otunnu, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Ms. Carol Bellamy, Executive Director of UNICEF, Mrs. Nohora Puyana de Pastrana, First Lady of Colombia, and Ms. Kathy Eldon, producer of the documentary. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September 2000 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Kenya
Mr. Fares Kuindwa

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Yukio Satoh

Eastern European States:
Russian Federation
H.E. Mr. Sergey Lavrov

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Barbados
H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke

Western European and other States:
Sweden
H.E. Mr. Pierre Schori

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